

GUNPOWDER AND JOY.

A FINE FOURTH OF JULY HEARTILY
CELEBRATED WITH FIRE AND NOISE

ALL THE CITY MAKES HOLIDAY-PERFECT

ROUSING SPORTS—MANY STRANGERS
IN TOWN—SOME SMALL ACCIDENTS.

to be proud of. More things went right and more things went wrong than usual. Not many years have so many people felt like celebrating, and everything favored the general desire. First of all in importance, of course, Fourth of July, is the weather. It is preferable to predict the weather for any length of time in advance: a hot morning, a thunder-

tioned orator as a salute of Heaven's army, usually an evening without rain and suitable for fireworks, but sometimes threatening rain. Yesterday the weather was better than today was a pretty good average warm day, though it was cool at the shore resorts, but the usual shower held off, and the evening was fine and clear. The Fourth of July is supposed to be the best day of the year to visit New York. It would seem unpatronistic for it not to be so. Yesterday was pretty nearly an ideal day, and as far as weather was concerned. This was, of course, favorable not only to the amusement of the smaller male population, to whom the day chiefly belongs, through its neglect by the rest of the community, but it also aided the success of the more elaborate sports of many of the

There was even more noise in the streets than usual, as it had been predicted that the weather would be, and so more fervor in the observation of the festival. The children of the poor were happy in the streets, but the children of the rich found a new sorrow, or at least one of them did. The rich lead hard lives, for their children up. There was a poor rich little boy who lived on the twelfth floor of a high apartment house. Of course he could not go down into the street to play, so he threw to the pedes out of the window to the ground, and when he cried because he could not hear them he was told off. So another loss through modern improvement is discovered.

It is a strange thing that on a holiday everybody feels that he is in the wrong place. And in the city people who can get out of town on a holiday.

country people who can get to New-York assure to come. So the streets looked yesterday as they always do on the Fourth of July—as

immense country district. Indeed, the streets have looked a little unnatural for some time now. Saturday was a half holiday, and everything was as dull as everything always is on a Saturday afternoon in the summer. Sunday is not an enlivened matters. Nobody quite knows whether Monday was a holiday or not, but there were small signs of business. And yesterday there was no doubt about it. The city has had practically a four-day vacation. If the work of the town starts up in earnest this morning

of fireworks was never before so brisk as it has been this year. It will, therefore, be supposed that, with the clear weather of last night, the air was punctured with more than the usual rockets and Roman candles. From any high point the illumination could be seen in all directions.

a big and powerful rocket to go as high as an average new building, and the kind generally used in private celebrations cannot do it. A

But to many Ukrainians, and to many Americans, the old difficulty of seeing the town on account of the houses is again experienced. "I was up to the last hour last night no serious cause for alarm," had been reported. Of course, if people are interested in the mechanism of pistols they will look down the barrels while they fire. But they must not be surprised if something happens to their eyes, and if they will use their fingers for wadding, they must expect accidents to them. But nobody was killed, and there were no disastrous fires. Altogether it was a good, old-fashioned, noisy, joyous, satisfactory Fourth, and this part of the country at least can congratulate itself on being one hundred years old.

WANTS TO SUCCEED THURSTON.
 ASSISTANT SECRETARY MEIKLEJOHN A CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR
 FROM NEBRASKA.
 Chicago, July 4.—George D. Meiklejohn, First Assistant Secretary of War, is a candidate for United States Senator from Nebraska.

Mr. Meiklejohn said in an interview here that he would be guided by events.

Mr. Meiklejohn came to Chicago direct from Washington, and is on his way to inspect the Federal River improvement work in Wisconsin.

about the time the rainy season is over. They will be recruited from the country at large, officered by higher ranks by Regular Army officers, but the lower ranks by men who have served in the Spanish-American War. There is no truth in any of the reports that General Miles or General Brooke will be sent to relieve General Otis."

right in the heart of South Mountain, the eighth annual assembly of the Pennsylvania Chautauqua opened its gates here to-day with appropriate ceremonies. The regular summer population of several thousand was augmented by a crowd of visitors from this and neighboring States. The dedication of the new auditorium, which was the first of the season, was the feature of the day.

of the old structure, which was destroyed by fire last November. There was music by the Perseverance Band, and addresses by the Chancellor, Rev. H. A. Gerdsen, of New-York, and other

classes will begin, and for the next five weeks summer school will be continued daily. It included twenty-five departments of learning, in charge specialists from leading schools, colleges and universities. The number of students is the largest in the history of the Chautauque. All the mornings are devoted to class work. In addition to

ne dean of the faculty will be Professor George
aylor Ettinger, of Muhlenberg College, Allentown.
he faculty proper consists of thirty-two instructors.

ACCIDENT TO GEORGE J. GOULD'S LAUNCH
The launch attached to George J. Gould's

East River off Twenty-sixth-st., was disabled last night by the breaking of machinery in the engine room. It had loaded the last of the

him on his yacht in the evening. Captain Todd, of the yacht, had to be rowed back. He

At 3.30 p. m. every day, but Saturday and Sunday, and every Saturday at 1.30 p. m. the New York Central "Saratoga Limited" leaves the New York. Empire State Express time; luxurious service; all Wagner cars.—Adv't.